

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph on page 1 beginning at line 5 with the following amended paragraph:

The present invention relates to a process and apparatus to attach elastic members to a disposable wearing article being continuously manufactured such as a disposable diaper or training pants. The present application is based on, and claims priority from, Japanese Application Serial Number 2002-328829, filed November 12, 2002, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.